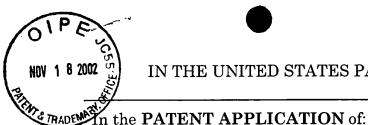
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Further to Applicants' Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. This application claims priority based upon Provisional Application No. 60/100,234 filed September 14, 1998.

The undersigned, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), states that no item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry,

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to any individual designated in Section 1.56(c) within three (3) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

This Information Disclosure Statement is also accompanied by the fee as set forth in Section 1.17(b).

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating his consideration of the cited materials.

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